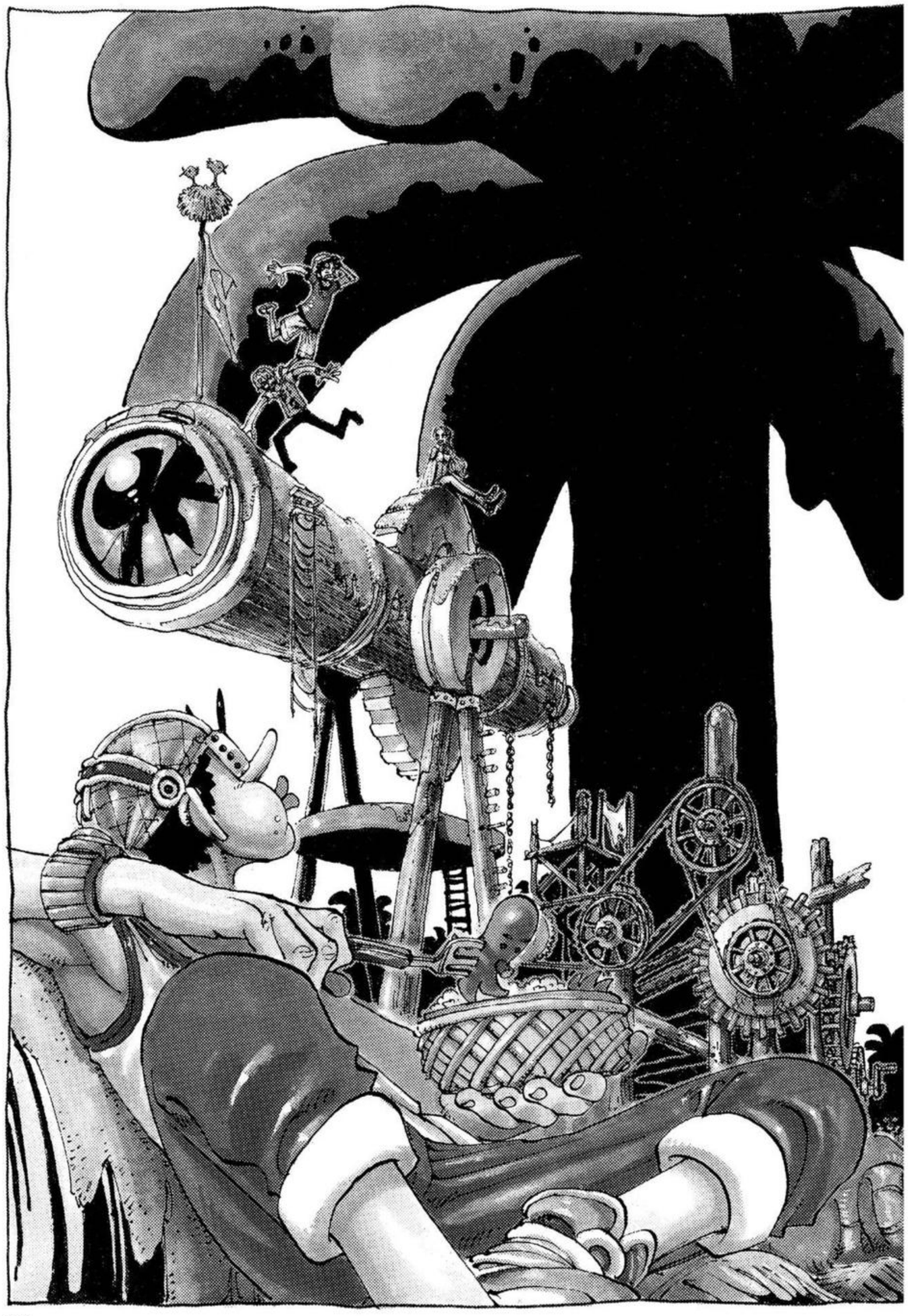
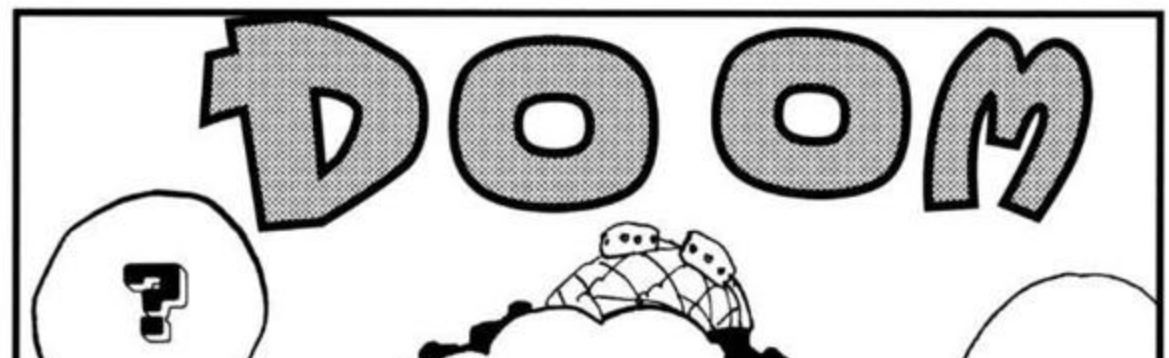
Chapter 140: THE CASTLE OF SNOW




DOOM
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IS IT MY IMAGINATION, OR IS MY FACE SWOLLEN?

DOOM!

PLEASE !!!

JOIN US!!

C'MON, OLD LADY!

YEAH.

LUFFY-- THAT'S WHAT YOU CALL YOURSELF, RIGHT?

WOW... WHAT AN AMAZING OLD CRONE.

UGH !!

WHAP!

I'M STILL IN MY PERT-AND-PERKY 130s!!!

WATCH YOUR MOUTH !!!

WHO CARES IF YOU'RE INTERESTED? JUST DO IT!!

I'VE NO TIME FOR SUCH NONSENSE. I HAVE NO INTEREST IN THE SEA.

YOU WANT ME TO BECOME A PIRATE? DON'T BE RIDICULOUS!!

LET'S HAVE AN ADVENTURE, OLD LADY!!

HUH?

HUH?

OH...

WIP

I LIKE PIRATES!!

I TOLD YOU TO WATCH YOUR MOUTH!

THEY'RE PIRATES!!

AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAH!!

HOLD IT, REIN-DEER STEW!!!!

STOP IT, YOU FIENDS!!!

AND SHE'S GOT A BUTCHER KNIFE!!

UH-OH!! IT'S THE OLD LADY!!!

I'LL EAT YOU BEFORE YOU CAN EAT HIM!!!

DOOM!!

...SOME STAMINA-BUILDING REINDEER STEW. ♡

JUST WAIT, NAMI!! I'LL WHIP YOU UP...

GWAAAAAH

FORGET THE FOOD. JUST KEEP THE NOISE DOWN.

CAAAAAAAH...

TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP

STAY IN BED!!

I'D BETTER CLOSE THE DOOR.

BRR... IT'S COLD.

?

IS THIS A CASTLE OR A BARN?

SNOW ...

SHWOO...

THE DOCTOR'S MEDICINE IS VERY EFFECTIVE AND BRINGS DOWN FEVERS QUICKLY.

WIP

WIP

BUT THE KESCHIA'S BACTERIA IS STILL IN YOUR BODY.

NO, I DON'T. I'M FINE NOW.

YOU STILL HAVE A FEVER!!

WIP WIP

WHERE'D THEY GO?

HUFF

HUFF

YOU MUSTN'T GET UP YET.

HAVE YOU BEEN TAKING CARE OF ME?

THANK YOU.

WHAM...!!

YOU NEED ANTIBIOTIC INJECTIONS AND PLENTY OF BED REST.

HUH?

YEAH, YOU LOOK LIKE YOU HATE TO BE THANKED.

DON'T BE RIDICULOUS!! I DON'T ACCEPT THANKS FROM HUMANS!!

GRIN GRIN GRIN

FOOL !!

HEE HEE HO HO

SH-SHUT UP!!

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...!!!

...!?

YOU JUST REALIZED THAT?

AGH!! IT'S COLD!!

DOOM!!

BRRR.!!

UH...

IT'S FREEZING COLD AND THERE'S SNOW EVERYWHERE.

THIS CASTLE'S WEIRD, LUFFY.

KRUNCH KRUNCH KRUNCH

LOOK AROUND.

THIS PLACE IS FILLED WITH SNOW.

SHOOO

LUFFY, FORGET ABOUT RECRUITING THAT OLD WITCH!! SHE'S NO DOCTOR!!! SHE WANTS TO KILL US!!

WO OSH!!

SHOOM!

WAH !!!

WO OSH

DIE, YOU BRATS !!!

OUR SHIP DOES.

D-DO YOU HAVE A PIRATE FLAG!?

REALLY.

R-REALLY!?

THAT'S RIGHT.

SO YOU'RE PIRATES!!?

TAP..

TUP

TUP

TUP..

IDIOT !!!

OF COURSE NOT!!!

OKAY, OKAY. SORRY I ASKED.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN PIRATES?

SO...

WANNA COME ALONG?

I MEAN SAIL THE OCEAN WITH US!! WANNA COME?

...!!

HUH !!?

I'M A REINDEER!! I CAN'T LIVE WITH HUMANS!!!

F-F-FOOL !!!

IF WE HAD A DOCTOR WITH US, I WOULDN'T HAVE TO STAY HERE FOR THREE MORE DAYS. AND WE COULD REALLY USE A DOCTOR.

I'D REALLY APPRECIATE IT.

...!!!

ARE YOU TRYING TO SCARE ME?

HEE HEE...

I'M A REINDEER THAT WALKS ON TWO LEGS! AND I CAN TALK!

...THE WAY I LOOK... SCARE YOU!?

BESIDES, DOESN'T ...

EEEK !!!

THERE YOU ARE, REINDEER!!!

SHWOOM!!!

WHAM!!!

AND I HAVE A BLUE NOSE.

...

WHAP

PHEW...THOSE BRATS ARE FAST.

ATCHOO!!!

...

STOP !!!

WHUMP

I TURN MY BACK ON YOU FOR A MINUTE AND YOU TRY TO SEDUCE MY REINDEER WITHOUT PERMISSION?

YOU DISAPPOINT ME, GIRLY.

NO, YOU DON'T!! TAKE HIM IF YOU WANT HIM!

KAK KAK KAK KAK !!

OH?

...TO SEDUCE HIM?

DO I NEED PERMIS-SION...

...?

HE HAS A DEEP WOUND IN HIS HEART...

...THAT NOT EVEN A DOCTOR CAN HEAL.

BUT...

...IT WON'T BE EASY TO CONVINCE HIM!

HE HAD TO WALK ALONE, FAR BEHIND THE REST OF THE HERD...

BECAUSE HE HAD A BLUE NOSE!!!

...EVEN WHEN HE WAS LITTLE!!

HUH!!?

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WHEN HE WAS BORN...

...HIS PARENTS REJECTED HIM BECAUSE OF THE WAY HE LOOKED.

...BUT HE LONGED FOR COMPANION-SHIP.

HE LOOKED NOTHING LIKE A NORMAL REINDEER ANYMORE ...

...HE ATE THE DEVIL FRUIT. THE OTHER REINDEER LAUGHED AND CALLED HIM NAMES, AND TREATED HIM LIKE A FREAK...

THEN ONE DAY...

...AND FINALLY CAST HIM OUT.

HOW CRUEL ...

AAAH EEEK!!!

TO THEM, HE WAS SOME STRANGE, BLUE-NOSED MONSTER.

?

WAAH!!!

BUT THEY REJECTED HIM TOO.

?

SO HE DECIDED TO GO LIVE WITH THE HUMANS IN THEIR VILLAGE.

EEEK WAH

SHWOO...

GET AWAY, YOU MON-STER !!!

GET YOUR GUNS!! KILL IT!!!

!!

WHUNK

IT'S THE ABOMINABLE SNOWMAN!!!

?

?

IT'S HORRIBLE!! GET THE CHILDREN INSIDE!!

WHAT IS THAT THING?

SHWOOOO...

KRUNCH

KRUNCH

HE WAS NO LONGER A REINDEER BUT HE WASN'T HUMAN EITHER.

THEY'D CALLED HIM A MONSTER WHEN ALL HE'D WANTED WAS THEIR FRIENDSHIP.

HE DIDN'T KNOW WHO TO BLAME...

HE DIDN'T KNOW WHAT HE'D DONE WRONG.

CHOPPER'S BEEN ALONE HIS WHOLE LIFE.

BLAM!!

BLAM!!

BLAM!!

BLAM!!

?

?

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?

...

...CAN HEAL HIS HEART?

DO YOU REALLY THINK YOU PEOPLE ...

IT'S COLDER IN HERE THAN IT IS OUTSIDE!

LET'S CLOSE THAT DOOR.

NO WONDER IT'S SO COLD.

SHWOOO

SO THIS IS WHERE ALL THE COLD AIR'S COMING FROM.

HUH?

THE MAIN DOOR'S WIDE OPEN!

LUFFY, LOOK!!

DON'T TOUCH THAT DOOR !!!

!?

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NO !!!

GRRRR

DIDN'T YOU HEAR ...

HEY !!!

BEFORE WE FREEZE.

IGNORE THAT GUY AND CLOSE IT!

R-RIGHT.

!

CHAK

CHAK

CHAK

CHAK

PLOMP

...WHAT I SAID!!!?

!!?

SNAP! KRASH!!

...

HEY, LUFFY...

WAH!! WHAT'S THAT!!? WHAT'S GOING ON!!?

HUH?

WIP

HUFF HUFF

COME HERE.

...!

OH...

SHWOOO

PEEP PEEP

WIP...

KRUNCH KRUNCH...

...

SHWOOO

PEEP PEEP PEEP PEEP

BABY SNOW-BIRDS!!

DOOM!!

...

SO THAT'S WHY IT HAS TO STAY OPEN.

KRUNCH

KRUNCH...!!

IF THE DOOR CLOSES, THEY'LL FALL.

TMP TMP TMP...!!

WAH! IT'S FREEZ-ING!!!

SHWOOO...!!

MONSTER!!!

DOOM!!

HUH? YEAH, AND IT WAS STANDING ON TWO FEET!!

HUH? HOLD ON A MINUTE, DID THAT THING JUST SPEAK!!?

KRUNCH KRUNCH KRUNCH

FIRST IT WAS LITTLE, THEN IT...

SHWOO

...TURNED INTO A BIG MONSTER!

WHAT WAS THAT THING? IT LOOKED LIKE A REINDEER..

...BUT IT WAS WALKING ON TWO LEGS...

OOO...

KRUNCH

...

KRUNCH...

SANJI, LET'S RECRUIT HIM!!!!

TWINK TWINK

WHAT AN INTER-ESTING GUY!!!

THROB THROB!!

THERE WAS ONE MAN HE CARED FOR, LONG AGO.

HUH?

THERE WAS A MAN...

TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP TMP

WAAH !!!!

GET HIM!!

WAIT, MON-STER!!! JOIN OUR CREW !!!

SHWOOO...

CLIMB, ROBSON !!!

KLOP

KLOP

BWAH HA HA HA HA!!

SHWOO...

THAT SCENT!! IT'S WAPOL!!!!

SNIFF SNIFF!!

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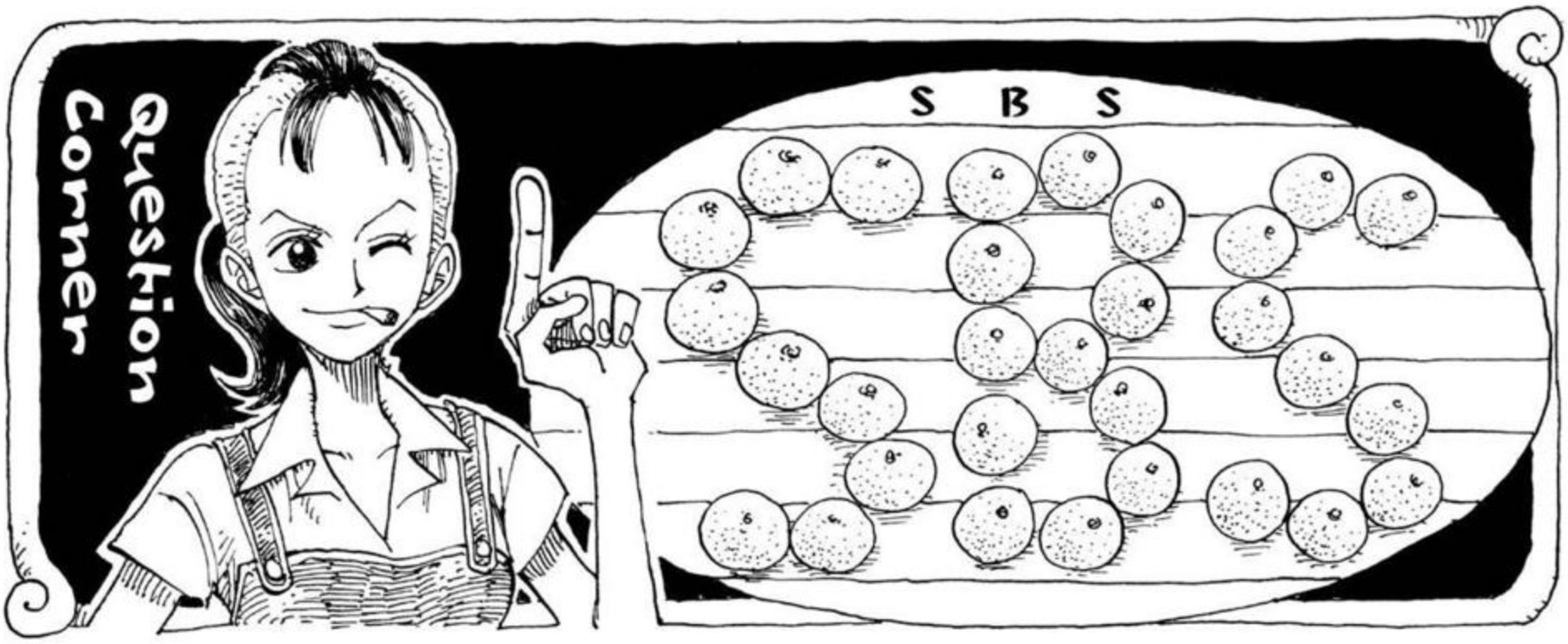
SNIFF SNIFF

WHAT!?

HOW DARE THEY DEFY THEIR KING!!!

HE GAVE CHOPPER HIS NAME AND TREATED HIM LIKE A SON.

THERE USED TO BE A QUACK NAMED DR. HIRILUK, WHO LIVED IN DRUM KINGDOM.



Reader: Hey, Monkey D. Luffy!! **I'm** gonna be king of the pirates!
Got a problem with that, Pirate King?

Oda: Fine, we'll all be pirate kings!! Next question.

Q: This is Jim Jolu Sato!! Here's my question.
If I eat Luffy, will I become a rubber-man!?

A: No, you'll just get food poisoning.

Q: I thought of a catch phrase for *One Piece:*
"Unusual people, friend and foe alike."

A: "Unusual people, reader and author alike."
Nah, the author's totally normal!!

Q: Oda Sensei!! That section on birthdays in volume 15 was way too slapdash!! So I want to discuss this with all of their parents!!
But who are Luffy, Zolo, and Sanji's parents?

A: Slapdash? Well, maybe. After all, birthdays determine personality, right? I guess I shouldn't give them birthdays without thinking about it. I think I've learned a valuable lesson.

Q: What are Vivi and Chopper's birthdays? ♡
Could Vivi's be February 2nd, and Chopper's be December 24th?

Perfect!! (explosive laugh) Those will work great!!

A: It's settled! Those are Vivi and Chopper's birthdays!!
Complaints!? I'm not listening to any!! Ha ha ha ha!!